

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

1. A brake pedal assembly for a vehicle, comprising:  
a dash bracket configured to be fixed to a dash panel;  
a cowl bracket configured to be fixed to a cowl cross member;  
5 a hinge supporting part formed between said dash bracket and said cowl bracket  
for pivotally supporting a brake pedal hinge; and

hinge releasing means placed between said dash bracket and said cowl bracket  
for releasing said hinge supporting part from a restrictive state when said dash bracket  
moves relatively in relation to said cowl bracket.

10 2. The assembly as defined in claim 1, wherein said hinge releasing  
means is composed of two linear sliding sides formed to face each other between said  
dash bracket and said cowl bracket and to be inclined in relation to a moving direction  
of said dash bracket during a collision.

3. The assembly as defined in claim 2, wherein said hinge releasing  
15 means is further provided with a ball inserted between said two linear sliding sides for  
reducing friction between said two linear sliding sides.

4. The assembly as defined in claim 2, wherein said hinge supporting part  
is composed of:

a lower side groove formed by a recess at said linear sliding side of said dash  
20 bracket; and

an upper side groove formed by a recess at said linear sliding side of said cowl  
bracket.